

VACCINE RESTRICTIONS

2005 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Sponsor: Eric K. Hutchings

LONG TITLE**General Description:**

This bill amends the Health Code to prohibit the Department of Health from purchasing or distributing pediatric vaccines that contain thimerosal.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- prohibits the Department of Health from purchasing or distributing pediatric vaccines that contain thimerosal, except in certain circumstances.

Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

26-10-8, Utah Code Annotated 1953

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **26-10-8** is enacted to read:

26-10-8. Purchase and distribution of pediatric vaccines.

(1) The department and local health departments may not purchase or distribute a pediatric vaccine necessary for school entry immunization requirements if the vaccine contains thimerosal, unless thimerosal is detectable only in trace amounts or no other vaccine for the



28 same purpose is commercially available in a form that does not contain thimerosal.
29 (2) The department may purchase and distribute a pediatric vaccine that contains
30 thimerosal if no other vaccine for the same purpose is commercially available in a form that
31 does not contain thimerosal.

Legislative Review Note**as of 1-7-05 9:23 AM**

Based on a limited legal review, this legislation has not been determined to have a high probability of being held unconstitutional.

Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel

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State Impact

No fiscal impact.

Individual and Business Impact

No fiscal impact.

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